**Welcome to the RS Faculty**

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In the Religious Studies Faculty, we strive to comprehensively ‘explore humanity’ with all of our pupils. Throughout their time at Carr Hill, pupils explore humanity in three distinct but connected strands: Understanding Humanity (learning about the beliefs, views, ideas, practices and values of diverse world-views), Practising Humanity (developing spiritually and morally, through consideration of individual identity and values), and Contributing to Humanity (enhancing personal, academic and social skills in preparation for life, future study and the world of work).

At Key Stage three, we follow the Lancashire Agreed Syllabus; pupils study the themes of ‘belonging’, ‘guidance for life’ and ‘values’ through the world-views of Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, Sikhism and Humanism. All pupils currently take GCSE RS, as part of Carr Hill’s contribution to the development of pupils’ social, moral, spiritual and cultural education. We study AQA Specification A, and our chosen religions are Christianity and Buddhism. With five hours per fortnight at Key Stage 4, our pupils have lots of opportunity to explore the beliefs and practices of our two religions alongside religious and secular views about ethical and philosophical issues.

Our robust curriculum and dedicated teachers create an enthusiastic and committed faculty for staff and pupils alike. Our teachers collaborate effectively to ensure the best experience and outcomes for all of our pupils, who value the subject and enjoy studying RS. We offer extra-curricular philosophy groups for both key stages and the faculty makes a substantial contribution to the school ethos of showing Commitment, Aspiration, Resilience and Respect.